Rehabilitation of families affected due to. construction of dams in the country

5767. SHRI BASANT KUMAR DAS: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any norms/guidelines have been fixed by World Bank for the purpose of rehabilitation of the displaced families affected due to construction of dams in the country;

(b) if so, whether the guidelines were followed in the case of Upper Indravati Project in Orissa which is funded by World Bank;

(c) whether all the displaced families from Kalahandi district were suitably rehabilitated or compensated with money; and

(d) whether any litigation is still: pending before any court/authority regarding compensation and rehabilitation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) All the displaced families of Kalahandi district, who have been identified so far, have been suitably rehabilitated in 560 clusters and compensation amount paid to them as per the provisions of the State rehabilitation policy.

(d) No, Sir.

Medium Irrigation Projects in Orissa

5768. SHRI BASANT KUMAR DA§: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state: (a) the number of medium irrigation projects from Orissa awaiting Central Government's clearance from environmental angle; and

(b) the names and details of the projects together with the year of district-wise proposals submitted by the State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Medium Projects do not require clearance from Environmental angle.

(b) A Statement giving status of appraisal of New Major & Medium Irrigation Projects of Orissa is attached.